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NEWS RELEASE

Man Arrested by Auto Theft Investigators Was Driving a Stolen Vehicle

Date & Time: Friday, October 21, 2016 @ 8:25 p.m.

Location: 3600 Paisano (BOTA)

Arrested: 40-year old Gilberto HERNANDEZ of 4000 blk Taylor, El Paso, TX

EL PASO, TEXAS: Investigators assigned to the Auto Theft Task Force arrested and charged a man with Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, Resisting Arrest, and Evading Arrest or Detention Friday. The investigation revealed that an Auto Theft Investigator saw Gilberto HERNANDEZ rummaging through at 1991 Honda Accord at Stevens and Gateway South. The investigator attempted to stop HERNANDEZ who entered the Honda and fled for the Bridge Of The Americas. The officer attempted to conduct a traffic stop and HERNANDEZ refused to stop and continued to the bridge where he got caught in the line of traffic south bound. HERNANDEZ fought with the officer as he attempted to take him into custody. Investigators determined that the Honda was stolen and HERNANDEZ was charged with the mentioned charges. He was booked into the El Paso County Jail and his bonds totaled \$7,100.00.

Vehicle Thefts are up in El Paso for 2016. Through October 22 there have been 671 reported Auto Thefts compared to 607 reported during this same time in 2015.

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